

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) A method for restoring resources on a computer following a failure of the computer, comprising:

providing a configuration database including resource information;
as a result of said failure, receiving a restoration request including a computer identifier associated with the computer;
accessing the configuration database based on the computer identifier to identify a restorable resource associated with the computer; and
encrypting the restorable resource to form an encrypted restorable resource; and
installing the encrypted restorable resource on said computer.

2. (Canceled).

3. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1 further comprising providing the encrypted restorable resource to the computer.

4. (Canceled).

5. (Previously presented) The method of claim 3, wherein providing the encrypted restorable resource to the computer includes providing an address for the restorable address.

6.-11. (Canceled).

12. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising registering a plurality of installed resources associated with the computer in the configuration database.

13. (Original) The method of claim 12, wherein registering the plurality of installed resources includes providing a resource name and a computer identifier associated with the computer.

14. (Original) The method of claim 13 wherein registering the plurality of installed resources includes providing the resource name and computer identifier in an encrypted file.

15.-16. (Canceled).

17. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein providing the configuration database includes providing a configuration database having resource identifying information, resource version information, and resource location information.

18.-21. (Canceled).

22. (Currently amended) A computer system, comprising:
a computer having a plurality of installed resources; and
a configuration manager coupled to the computer; said configuration manager is adapted to store a configuration database including resource information associated with the computer, adapted to receive a restoration request from the computer as a result of a failure of said computer, said restoration request including a computer identifier associated with the computer, adapted to authenticate the restoration request, adapted to access the configuration database to identify a restorable resource based on

the computer identifier associated with the computer, adapted to encrypt the restorable resource to produce an encrypted restorable resource, and adapted to provide the encrypted restorable resource to the computer, and adapted to install the encrypted restorable resource on the computer.

23. (Canceled).

24. (Currently amended) The computer system of claim 22, further comprising a server coupled to the computer and adapted to receive the encrypted restorable resource and install the encrypted restorable resource on the computer.

25. (Original) The computer system of claim 22, further comprising a server coupled to the computer, the configuration manager being housed on the server.

26. (Currently amended) The computer system of claim 22, wherein the configuration manager is adapted to provide the encrypted restorable resource to the computer by providing an address for the restorable address.

27.-35. (Canceled).

36. (Original) The computer system of claim 22, wherein the computer is adapted to register a plurality of installed resources associated with the computer in the configuration database.

37. (Currently amended) The computer system of claim 36, wherein the computer is adapted to register[[s]] the plurality of installed resources by providing a resource name and a computer identifier associated with the computer.

38. (Original) The computer system of claim 37, wherein the computer is adapted to provide the resource name and computer identifier in an encrypted file.

39.-41. (Canceled).

42. (Original) The computer system of claim 22, wherein the configuration database includes resource identifying information, resource version information, and resource location information.

43.-46. (Canceled).

47. (Currently amended) A program storage device, comprising:
a configuration database including resource information;
program instructions, that when executed by a processing device perform
a method for restoring a resource on a computer that previously
failed, the method comprising:
as a result of said failure, receiving a restoration request including
a computer identifier associated with the computer;
accessing the configuration database based on the computer
identifier to identify a restorable resource associated with
the computer;-and
identifying an available upgrade for the restorable resource;
encrypting said upgrade for the restorable resource to produce an
encrypted upgrade of the restorable resource; and
installing said encrypted upgrade of the restorable resource on
said computer.

48. (Canceled).

49. (Currently amended) The program storage device of claim 70, wherein providing the restorable resource or the encrypted upgrade of the restorable resource to the computer in the method includes providing an address for the restorable address.

50.-55. (Canceled).

56. (Original) The program storage device of claim 47, wherein the configuration database includes resource identifying information, resource version information, and resource location information.

57.-67. (Canceled).

68. (Currently amended) The program storage device of claim 47, wherein the method further comprises offering the restorable resource and the encrypted upgrade of the restorable resource.

69. (Currently amended) The program storage device of claim 68, wherein the method further comprises enabling a user to select either the restorable resource or the encrypted upgrade of the restorable resource.

70. (Currently amended) The program storage device of claim 69, wherein the method further comprises providing either the restorable resource or the encrypted upgrade of the restorable resource based on the user's selection.

71. (Previously presented) The method of claim 3, wherein providing the encrypted restorable resource to the computer comprises providing the restorable resource to a server connected to the computer.